

House Resolution No. 3097

Whereas, it is with special pleasure that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to recognize an outstanding Missouri citizen who has brought great commitment and steadfast dedication to the teaching profession; and

Whereas, Peggy J. Auvil, an esteemed resident of Ozark, Missouri, will officially retire from the Nixa R-II School District on June 2, 2003, after a successful career in education that has spanned an incredible twenty-seven years; and

Whereas, Peggy Auvil has played an integral role in the educational development of countless youngsters throughout her impressive tenure as a Third Grade Teacher, prior to which time she served the District as a Kindergarten Teacher; and

Whereas, the proud author of the book We Bought a Bird That Said Dirty Words whose works have been published in "The Mailbox" magazine, Peggy Auvil is known for composing unique lessons that inspire her students and shares her expertise by mentoring new teachers, welcoming student teachers into her classroom, and speaking to groups of teachers in addition to education classes at Southwest Missouri State University; and

Whereas, a "Master Teacher" and founder of the Mathews Elementary School George Washington Museum, Peggy Auvil has greatly enjoyed planning and serving as emcee for numerous school programs including The Ward and Wanita Show, Back-to-School teachers meetings, and retirement receptions for esteemed colleagues including Leona Bowman and Ken Holloway; and

Whereas, the 2000-2001 Teacher of the Year, Peggy Auvil looks forward to her much-deserved retirement so that she can spend more time pursuing her many diverse hobbies that include cross-stitching, quilting, yoga, folk art painting, sign language, cake decorating, song writing, poetry, teaching swimming lessons, and visiting with her devoted husband, Tom Auvil; her four children, Travis, Trent, Mark, and Laura; and her three grandsons:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, unanimously join in expressing our utmost appreciation to Peggy Auvil for her twenty-seven years of unparalleled service to the Nixa R-II School District and to the education of Missouri's youngest citizens, and in wishing her the long, rewarding, and enjoyable retirement she so richly deserves; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Peggy J. Auvil.

Offered by _____
Representative Jay Wasson
District No. 141

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 3097, adopted May 27, 2003.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker